

Sinclair Broadcasting has decided to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election which is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

If the "documentary" was based on individual's free will and speech to explain why individuals do not want to vote for Senator John Kerry I would have no problem with that. Unfortunately this "documentary", which does not benefit the public audience at all, is full of lies and deceit is being broadcast by Sinclair with the intent to sway the voters in order that the executives at Sinclair can make a windfall, both financially and politically. That I consider unfair and uncalled for.

Use of the public airwaves is free of charge, and companies such as Sinclair are obligated by law to serve the public interest. Nowadays that more and more of the large corporations are controlling the airwaves, the public audience gets more of what's good for the overall revenue and profit of the companies and less of the truth and democratic virtues that this great country of ours is founded and currently based on. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Actions by the executives at Sinclair reiterates why the US Government and the FCC need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. Sinclair's actions indicate to the general public that the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard.

Sincerely,

A Concerned Truthseeker